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1. The following aircraft were observed at Jockendorf airfield on 21 January 1955. One aircraft thought to be a YAK-23 was parked in the northern third of the field, about 150 meters from the western field border and 4 or 5 aircraft, probably of the same type, were seen in the eastern section of the field. These aircraft were the same type as those observed on 29 December 1954. Another aircraft with the following features was observed parked next to the first plane:

Power plants: Twin-jet engines, one engine under each wing. The engines projected more beyond the leading edges of the wings than beyond the trailing edges.

Wings: Semi-high-wing monoplane, no sweepback, leading edges straight, trailing edges sloping forward, wing roots curved. Wing tips cut off with plate-like almost circular discs fitted perpendicularly at tips. The discs projected beyond all sides.

Rudder: Rudder assembly mounted on top of tail. Swept-back elevator assembly mounted approximately at half height of rudder assembly and slightly projecting beyond trailing edge of rudder assembly.

Landing gear: Nose wheel; main landing gear under wings.

Fuselage: Front section considerably longer than section aft of wings. Considerable taper to the fore, almost pointed nose. A short piece of the tapering tail projected beyond the rudder assembly.

Cabin: Plexiglass nose. Additional tortoise-shaped cabin just aft of trailing edge of plexiglass nose, directly in front of leading edges of wings.

Other details: A rod pointing slightly lateral to the rear projected from the rear section of the cabin. It could not be observed if it was an antenna rod or a machine gun barrel. No antenna wire to the rudder was seen. There was a bulge at the bottom of the fuselage, underneath the cabin. It could not be determined whether it was a belly turret or a bomb bay. A red star was observed on the rudder assembly over the elevator assembly and in the middle of the fuselage aft of the wings.

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2. There was no air activity at the field during the time of observation which lasted about 2 1/2 hours. Some Soviet soldiers wearing black-bordered blue epaulets with crossed propeller insignia on their collar patches were seen at the field. Patrols guarded the installation. The sentries were definitely observed patrolling along the Simmersdorf-Klein-Koalsig road. There was little activity at the field. About 50 men were seen working on aircraft.

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3. Two or 3 barracks buildings for about 250 air force personnel were allegedly located south of Jocksdorf.²

1. Comment. Aircraft with a fuselage step, apparently Yak-23s, were observed at Jocksdorf airfield for the first time on 29 December 1954. According to the present report some aircraft of the same type were still stationed at Jocksdorf airfield on 31 January 1955. The twin-jet aircraft which was also observed at the field probably is an Il-28.

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2. Comment. The presence of 25 to 35 aircraft at Jocksdorf airfield is doubted although there might be a possibility of parking aircraft under camouflage in the northern section of the field. The previously reported quartering buildings of Jocksdorf airfield are not located south of Jocksdorf, but northeast of Jocksdorf and on Pilsberg. Only temporary buildings for construction workers are located south of Jocksdorf.

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